



Atty. Docket No. 8054-1005

PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Tsuneo TAKAHASHI et al.

Confirmation No. 1333

Serial No. 09/786,442

GROUP 1647

Filed March 5, 2001

Examiner R. Landsman

NOVEL RECEPTOR PROTEIN AND METHOD
FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF AN INFLAMMATORY
DISEASE BY USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of January 9, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

C1 --This application is a 371 application of
PCT/JP99/04801 filed on September 3, 1999.--

Page 23, replace the paragraph beginning on line 21 as
follows:

C2 --2. A purified peptide which is a fragmentary sequence selected
from the group consisting of the 6th to 32nd amino acid residues
of SEQ ID NO:2, the 1st to 23rd amino acid residues of SEQ ID
NO:2, the 1st to 35th amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO:2, the
96th to 108th amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO:2, the 172nd to
198th amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO:2, and the 681st to 726th